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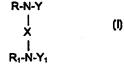
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(57) Abstract

Sugar-derived gemini surfactants contain two disaccharide moieties as the hydrophilic groups that are linlinked by a bridge. The compounds have general structure (I), wherein R and  $R_1$  are the same or different linear, branched, saturated, or ur unsaturated hydrocarbyl moieties with a carbon chain length of from about  $C_6$ - $C_{23}$  and Y and  $Y_1$  are the same or different alcohol-contantaining moieties having at least two and preferably more hydroxyl containing groups such as glucose, fructose, lactose, and the like, and nd one but not both may be hydrogen, and X is a  $R_2$  or -COR<sub>2</sub>CO- wherein  $R_2$  is a  $C_1$  to  $C_{20}$  straight or branched chain alkyl, aryl, alkykylaryl, dicarboxyaryl, or diaminoalkyl.

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#### NONIONIC GEMINI SURFACTANTS HAVING HYDROPHILIC SUGAR GROUJUPS

This invention relates to a novel group of nonionic surfactaments having at least two hydrophobic moieties and at least two hydrophilic sugarar groups per molecule useful as emulsifiers, detergents, dispersants, hydrotrophobic, wetting agents, corrosion inhibitors and solubilizing agents.

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#### **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Surfactants are well known materials which can be generally  $\sigma$  described as having a hydrophobic moiety and a hydrophilic group per molecucule. A wide variety of these materials are known and are classified as aniomnic, cationic, nonionic and amphoteric. They are well known to have numerous u uses such as emulsifiers, detergents, dispersants and solubilizing agents in t the field of cosmetics, textile treatment, industrial and personal cleaning p preparations, corrosion inhibitors and the like.

In nonionic surfactants, the surface-active portion bears no apapparent ionic charge. Usually polyethoxy chains, glycerides or polyhydroxy fununctional, e.g. polyglucosides, constitute the hydrophile.

Surfactants generally are compounds having one hydrophiliclic group and one hydrophobic moiety. Recently, a group of compounds having two hydrophobic moieties and two hydrophilic groups have been introduluced. These have become known as "gemini surfactants" in the literature (Chemmtech, March 1993, pp 30-33), and J. American Chemical Soc., 115, 10083-10090)0, (1993) and

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the references cited therein. Since their introduction, cationic and aninionic "gemini surfactants" have been disclosed. Other surfactant compounds s having two hydrophilic groups and two hydrophobic moieties have been disclolosed but not referred to as gemini surfactants.

Sulfate, phosphate, and carboxylate surfactants are currently y disclosed in the literature (See JAOCS 67, 459 (1990); JAOCS 68, 268 (1991); JAOCS 68, 539 (1991); and JAOCS 69, 626 (1992).

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Sugar based gemini surfactants have been previously descrictibed in the literature.

- 10 U. S. Patent No. 5,534,197 to Scheibel et. al. discloses and cliclaims gemini polyhydroxy fatty acid compounds wherein the bridging group consiststs of a variety of alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl and aminoalkyl compounds having from aboout 2 to 200 atoms, and the hydrophobic heads are comprised of the same or diffeferent alcohol containing moieties with two or more hydroxyl groups such as glyllycerol. The surfactants are asserted to be useful as active agents in laundry detergreents, fabric cleaners, and personal care.
  - U. S. Patent No. 5,403,922 to Garelli-Calvet et. al. discloses:s amphiphilic surfactants containing two sugar or sugar-derived head portions. There amphiphilic head portions are long chain aliphatic or branched aliphatic carbon c chains. The chains are interrupted by various functional groups such as amineses (-NH) and further comprise reducing glucides comprised of a linear or cyclized cacarbon chain. The hydrophile is on the ends of the hydrophobe, constitutining bola-type surfactants. Bola surfactants are relatively ineffective.

U. S. Patent No. 5,512,699 to Conner et. al. discloses and d claims poly(polyhydroxy fatty acide amide) compounds that are asserted to be useful in
laundry detergents, cleaning compositions, and personal care. Two ididentical long
chain moieties containing hydroxyl groups are joined by a bridge c consisting of
polyethyleneimines, and polyethyleneamines with molecular weights below about
50,000 and preferably below 10,000. The hydrophobe is connected d via carbonyl
groups. U. S. Patent No. 4,892,806 to Briggs et. al. discloses nonioniaic surfactants
comprised of two R groups consisting of substituted and unsubstittituted alkyls,
cycloalkyls, aryls or H joined to two hydrophilic groups represented by the formula
-CH<sub>2</sub>NHCO(CHOH)<sub>x</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH by a carbon bridge. The compounds alare useful in
emulsions for photographic light sensitive materials.

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EPA 0 688 781 to Adams teaches and claims nonionic c surfactants comprised of two polysaccharide sugar moieties that are linked to the central bridge of the molecule by one of their carbonyl groups. The central bridge is comprised of a polyalkyleneamine unit wherein at least one of the ammine nitrogen atoms has a hydrophobic, substituted or unsubstituted hydrocarbon g group linked thereto. The compounds are disclosed as being useful in aqueous shydrophilic colloid compositions such as light sensitive photographic materials.

PCT Application No. PCT/US95/00767 to Scheibel et. al. didiscloses and claims a class of gemini polyether fatty acid amides in which two o polyethoxy, polypropoxy and/or mixed polyethoxypropoxy moieties of the geneneral formula [(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>y</sub>O]H are joined by branched or linear alkyl or aryl moieties of from 2-200 carbon atoms. The surfactants may be combined with other nonionic ic and anionic surfactants and enzymes in soap and laundry detergent formulations.

PCT application No. PCT/US/00769 to Scheibel et. al. discloseses and claims another class of polyhydroxy diamine compounds in which two "headsds" consisting of reducing sugars such as glycerol, glucose, maltose, maltodextrin n and the like are joined together by a unsubstituted, linear or branched alkyl, elether alkyl or amino alkyl consisting of from two to fifteen carbon atoms.

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An article by Zhang et. al., J. Colloid. Interface Sci 177\_41919-426 (1996) discusses the effect of hydrophobic and hydrophilic chain lengths own the surface active properties of novel polysaccharide surfactants. The nonionic saccharide surfactants consist of an amide group that links a hydrophilic sacchararide segment such as glucolactone, maltolactone, and dextrolactone to a hydrophobic alkyl segment such as hexylamine, octylamine and decylamine. It was shown that the size of the saccharide segment is important in determining the interfafacial surface area of the molecule and hence it's surface activity.

Eastoe et. al., Langmuir.  $\underline{12}$ , 2701-2705 (1996) discloseses nonionic amphiphile surfactants comprised of two  $\eta$ -alkyl chains and two glucucamide head groups. Surfactant purity, surfactant-water phase behavior, air-solulution surface tension and small angle neutron-scattering characteristics are s some of the surfactant characteristics disclosed. A second Eastoe et. al. article, L Langmuir  $\underline{10}$ , 4429-4433 (1994) discusses the properties of nonionic surfactants c comprised of two  $C_6$  hydrophobic chains and two glucamide head groups in the samme fashion.

An article to Briggs et. al. J. Chem. Soc. <u>46</u>, 379-380 (1(1995) briefly discusses the synthesis and properties of nonionic polyol surfactants a derived from carbohydrate lactones. The surface properties of these nonionic gemini surfactants are rare and very few are reported in the literature.

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Due to the need for new and more effective and efficient susurfactants, as well as the need for mild surfactants which are biologically commpatible in an ecologically sensitive environment, effort has been made to develop a new class of compounds, which demonstrate improved surface-active propererties that are further characterized as mild, and environmentally benign.

Gemini surfactants contain two hydrophilic heads and two lipcophilic chains linked by a small bridge. Because gemini surfactants demonstrate e very special physical properties such as unusually low critical micelle concentratioions (cmc) and pC<sub>20</sub> values in aqueous media, they have drawn significant attention.n. It has been reported that ionic gemini surfactants can lower cmc values about 1000 times more efficient than single chain analogues and are about 1000 times morore efficient at reducing the surface tension (pC<sub>20</sub>). Beside these outstandiding physical properties, nonionic gemini surfactants can be very effective, biodegegradable, and to a certain extent, available from renewable resources such as natatural fats and sugars. Therefore, sugar-containing surfactants have attracted considerable attention.

The new type of sugar gemini surfactant generally contains s two aliphatic long chains as lipophilic groups and two oligosaccharides as hydrogophilic heads. Because sugar molecules are very water soluble, they are superior a as hydrophilic heads for gemini surfactants.

Sugar gemini surfactants use various forms of sugar as hydrorophilic groups such as glucose, fructose, maltose, lactose, galactose, mannose, xyxylose and so on. Another type of gemini surfactant contains a polyhydroxyl g group as the hydrophilic head. Their general structure is shown below.

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wherein R and R<sup>1</sup> represent a C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>21</sub> straight or brananched chain hydrocarbyl moiety. See Eastoe, and Briggs, supra.

Other sugar gemini surfactants have been prepared that a contain two glucose hydrophilic groups and two hydrocarbon chains linked by an ethylene group. However, these bis-monosaccharide gemini surfactants were a found to be insoluble in water.

#### **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Figure 1 is the graphic results of <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectratal analysis of N-decyllactosylamine compound produced in example 1.

Figure 2 is the graphic results of <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectral analysis of the N-dodecyllactosylamine compound produced in example 2.

Figure 3 is the graphic results of <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectral analysis of the N-hexadecyllactosylamine compound produced in example 3.

Figure 4 is the graphic results of <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectratal analysis of the gemini-bis-decylactosylamide produced in example 4.

Figure 5 is the graphic results of <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrala analysis of the gemini-bis-dodecylactosylamide compound produced in example 5.5.

#### **SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

Sugar-derived gemini surfactants contain two disaccharide moioieties as the hydrophilic groups that are linked by a bridge. The general strucucture of the compounds is as follows:

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wherein R and R<sub>1</sub> are the same or different linear, branched, s saturated, or unsaturated hydrocarbyl moieties with a carbon chain length of from a about  $C_6$ - $C_{23}$  and Y and Y<sub>1</sub> are the same or different alcohol-containing moieties haveing at least two and preferably more hydroxyl containing groups such as glucosose, fructose, lactose, and the like, and one but not both may be hydrogen, and X X is a R<sub>2</sub> or -  $COR_2CO$ - wherein R<sub>2</sub> is a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>20</sub> straight or branched chain alkytyl, aryl, alkyl aryl, dicarboxyaryl, or diaminoalkyl.

#### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The general structure of the sugar-derived gemini surfactstants of the present invention contain two polysaccharides as hydrophilic groups econnected by a bridge. The surfactants are prepared using standard amidation, econdensation and reduction reactions wherein a disaccharide such as lactose, , maltose, or fructose is condensed with a terminal end amine-containing alkyl groupup to produce a long chain molecule with the hydroxyl sugar at the hydrophilic end a and the long chain aliphatic group as the lipophilic end. Two of them joined by y a carbonyl-

containing bridge via amidation/condensation reaction or alkylation ususing an alpha omega dihalide or reaction with a diisocyanate.

The novel gemini surfactants of the present invention comprisrise two sugar moieties as the hydrophilic group that, together with the two hydrophobic groups, are linked by a bridge. The general structure of the surfactant comprosition is as follows:

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wherein R and R<sub>1</sub> independently represent the same or differerent linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated hydrocarbyl moieties with a c carbon chain length of from about  $C_6$  to  $C_{23}$  and wherein Y and Y<sub>1</sub> independently r represent the same or different alcohol-containing moieties having at least two arand preferably more hydroxyl groups with the further stipulation that one but not booth Y groups may be hydrogen and X independently represents R<sub>2</sub> or  $-COR_2R_2CO$ - wherein R<sub>2</sub> is a straight or branched chain alkyl, aryl or alkylaryl, dicararboxyaryl, or diaminoalkyl.

Preferably, the sugar gemini surfactants of the present ir invention are represented by the general formula:

R and  $R_1$  independently represent a straight or branched alkyl grgroup of from about six (6) to twelve (20) carbon atoms. Preferably the Y moieties s are selected from the group comprising monosaccharides, disaccharides, polysaccccharides and the like. Suitable monosaccharides include glyceraldehyde, erythrorose, threose, ribose, arabinose, xylose, lyxose, allose, altrose, glucose, fructosese, mannose, gulose, idose, galactose, and talose. Disaccharides represented b by Y and Y<sub>1</sub> include, but are not limited to lactose, maltose, cellobiose, sucrose,e, gentobrose and mixtures thereof. Suitable polysaccharides that may be representated by Y and Y<sub>1</sub> include amylose, amylopectin, trehalose and the like. Preferably, t, the Y groups represent a disaccharide such as lactose or maltose, and  $R_2$  is aryl.

Using lactose (i.e. R=lactose) as an example, the reaction prorocess can be schematically represented as follows:

#### SYNTHESIS SCHEMATICS

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Alkyl lactosylamine is coupled by reaction with a bisacid chloloride such as terephthaloyl chloride or malonic acid chloride producing the gemini susurfactant.

Alkyl lactosylamine is coupled by reaction with an alpha omegaga halide such as xylenedihalide or 1,4 dichlorobutane producing the gemini surfactatant.

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 2]R-N-Y \\ H \end{bmatrix}$$

Alkyl lactosylamine is coupled by reaction with a di-anhydridride such as 1,2,4,5 benzene tetracarboxylic anhydride producing the gemini surfacactant.

$$(4) \qquad [2]RNHY + OCN-R_2NCO \longrightarrow R-N-Y$$

$$20 \qquad C=O$$

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$$| \qquad \qquad R-N-Y$$

Alkyl lactosylamine is coupled by reaction with a diisocycaranate such as toluene diisocyanate or methylene bisdiphenyldiisocyanate.

Lactose is used as an example in the above descriptions, h however, any reducing sugar can be substituted for lactose.

Lactose, and dodecylamine are the starting materials in the atabove reaction scheme.

Compounds of the invention can be prepared by coupling the e sugar amine. The sugar amine is prepared by heating the sugar with amine in an a alcohol-water mixture or dimethylformamide. Usually an excess of amine is useded to suppress formation of tertiary amines. The main product usually crystallizlizes from the reaction mixture. Synthesis is described by O. Lockhoff (Angew. ClChem. Int. Ed. Engl. 30, 1611-1620 (1991)).

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The sugar amines can be coupled via numerous routes the mmost common being via bisacid chloride, dianhydride, diisocyanate and dihalide.

It has been reported that the secondary amine in s single chain glycosylamines can react with acid chloride or acid anhydride selecctively at low temperature.

Lactosylamine can be easily synthesized in either DMSO or menethanol water solution. However, the lactosylamine synthesized in the presence e of methanol and water usually retains a small amount of water even though it has been dried under vacuum. The presence of water in this instance could completicate certain reactions.

All the compounds were analyzed by thin layer chromatograptphy (TLC) first in a different solvent system. The components of any sugagar-containing compound were located by spraying the plates with dilute sulfuric acid (20% in ethanol), followed by heating. The sugar portion will react with sulfulfuric acid and become a black color after heating. The alkyl chain was detected by spraying a phosphomolybolic acid reagent (20% in ethanol) on the plate f following the heating. Spots containing the alkyl groups gave a dark blue a color. The compounds that contain the aromatic ring, the alkyl chains and sugarars (Figures 4 and 5) were checked by UV light first and then by diluted sulfufuric acid and phosphomolybdic acid reagents. UV active light prove the pressence of the aromatic ring. The black color and the dark blue color indicate that the same spot also contains sugar portions and an alkyl chains. This TLC method it indicated the compound contains all three portions.

Most intermediates and final compounds also were charactererized by both  $^1$ H-NMR and  $^{13}$ C-NMR spectra (200 MHz and 50 MHz respectivelely). For the compounds with complicated structures such as II (Figure 4 and 5), special attention was paid to three chemical shift regions of both  $^1$ H-NMR arand  $^{13}$ C-NMR. The proton NMR chemical shift in  $\delta 7.3$  - 8.0 indicated an aromatic prportion,  $\delta 3.1$  - 4.5 indicated a sugar section and  $\delta 0.8$  - 1.6 indicated an alkyl region.n. The proton NMR of sugar gemini surfactants all have these three chemical shift ft regions with relatively accurate integration. These results can at least partiallylly prove their chemical structure. Because these bulk molecules may not stay / in the same plane and can possibly be twisted in three dimensions, the aromaticic region may give multi peaks rather than single peak. This kind of structure was further

indicated by  $^{13}$ C-NMR. There are more than two aromatic peaks in h the aromatic region ( $\delta$ 120 - 140). The sugar region is in  $\delta$ 60 - 104. The peak at  $\delta$ 1 $\delta$ 104 is a very characteristic chemical shift for the ketyl group in lactose. The cararbonyl group was found at around  $\delta$ 174, which indicated the two single lactosylalamine chains are linked together. The alkyl chain region is between  $\delta$ 15 - 40. E Even though some trace impurities appeared on NMR spectra due to the e lack of a chromatographic purification step, overall, the NMR data agreees with the compounds' structures.

Since the surfactants of the invention exhibit an extremelyly low critical micelle concentration (cmc) as compared with conventional surface-a-active agents because of the presence of two hydrophobic moieties and two hydropophilic groups in their molecule, they are able to fully reduce surface tension, are hihighly soluble in water, and are extremely effective in aqueous solution at low coroncentrations. The surfactants of the invention can be used in any amount needed for the particular application and this can be easily determined by a skilled artertisan without undue experimentation.

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Whereas the surfactants of the invention can be used alalone as the essential hydrotrope component, it has been unexpectedly found thin blends of the compounds of the invention with certain conventional well known anionic, nonionic, cationic and amphoteric surfactants provide results the beyond that expected and therefore synergistic that can be demonstrated in relatition to critical micelle concentration and surface tension reducing ability.

Examples of the nonionic surfactants used herein included fatty acid glycerine esters, sorbitan fatty acid esters, sucrose fatty acid esters, p polyglycerine

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fatty acid esters, higher alcohol ethylene oxide adducts, singlele long chain polyoxyethylene alkyl ethers, polyoxyethylene alkyl allyl ethers, polyoxyethylene lanolin alcohol, polyoxyethylene fatty acid esters, polyoxyethylene g glycerine fatty acid esters, polyoxyethylene propylene glycol fatty acid esters, pololyoxyethylene sorbitol fatty acid esters, polyoxyethylene castor oil or hardenened castor oil derivatives, polyoxyethylene lanolin derivatives, polyoxyethylenene fatty acid amides, polyoxyethylene alkyl amines, an alkylpyrrolidone, alucamides. alkylpolyglucosides, mono- and dialkanol amides, a polyoxyethyrylene alcohol mono- or diamides and alkylamine oxides. Examples of the anioninic surfactants used herein include fatty acid soaps, ether carboxylic acids and 4 salts thereof, alkane sulfonate salts, α-olefin sulfonate salts, sulfonate salts of highqher fatty acid esters, higher alcohol sulfate ester salts, fatty alcohol ether sulfates:s salts, higher alcohol phosphate ester salts, fatty alcohol ether phosphate > ester salts, condensates of higher fatty acids and amino acids, and collagenen hydrolysate derivatives.

Examples of the cationic surfactants used hererein include alkyltrimethylammonium salts, dialkyldimethylammoniumm salts, alkyldimethylbenzylammonium salts, alkylpyridinium salts, alkylislisoquinolinium salts, benzethonium chloride, and acylamino acid type cationic surfacactants.

Examples of the amphoteric surfactants used herein included amino acid, betaine, sultaine, phosphobetaines, imidazoline type amphotericic surfactants, soybean phospholipid, and yolk lecithin.

Any of the commonly used auxiliary additives such as inorgaranic salts such as Glauber salt and common salt, builders, humectants, solubilizing agents, UV

absorbers, softeners, chelating agents, and viscosity modifiers may y be added to the surfactants of the invention or blends thereof with other susurfactants as disclosed herein.

The nonionic surfactants of the invention are extremely mihild and non-irritating to both eyes and skin. They also exhibit enhanced wevetting speed, greater surface tension reduction, high foaming and foam stabilization properties, low toxicity, and excellent compatibility with other anionic, cationic,  $\varepsilon$  and nonionic surfactants. The products of the invention are stable over a wide plpH range and are biodegradable. These properties make these surfactants adaptatable for use in products ranging from cosmetics to industrial applications and d are usable wherever anionic surfactants have found use. These products arere particularly useful for non-irritating shampoos, including baby shampoos, bodydy shampoos including bubble baths, bar soaps, bath gels, hair conditioning gels,  $\varepsilon$ , lotions, skin creams and lotions, make up removal creams and lotions, liquid detetergents, dish detergents, and other washing and cosmetic products that contact the skin. The surfactants of the invention can also find use as hard surface cleanmers including cars, dishes, toilets, floors, and the like; laundry detergents and  $\varepsilon$  soaps, metal working aids and the like.

#### **Experimental**

#### 20 Example 1

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#### Preparation of N- decyllactosylamine

Lactose (34.5 g) was dissolved in dry dimethyl sulfoxide (7070 mL) at 40-50°C. Decylamine (15 g) was added and the reaction was stirred at 50°C for 12 hours. A crude product precipitated from the reaction as white solid d on the top of

the solution. The reaction was then stopped by cooling to room temperature and the product was then isolated by filtration. The crude product was s washed with cold ethanol several times to remove unreacted starting material. The product was then dried under vacuum and submitted for <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-N-NMR spectral studies. NMR data agreed with the expected structure of final producuct (Figure 1). The product, a white solid, weighed 45 g.

#### 10 Example 2

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#### Preparation of N-Dodecyllactosylamine

Lactose (34 g) was dissolved in a small amount of distilled wateter (60 mL) at 60°C. Dodecylamine (22.3 g) dissolved in methanol was added drorop-by-drop to the water solution at 60°C as the reaction mixture was stirred vigojorously. The reaction solution became cloudy at the beginning of the reaction and til then became clear again after stirring for about 30 minutes. As the reaction contininued, a white solid product began to accumulate on the top of the solution. The reaction was continued for three hours and was then stopped. White solid crude e product was washed with acetone twice and dried under a vacuum. NMR spectrotra (Figure 2) agreed with the expected structure of the final compound. The e yield of the reaction was about 75%.

#### Example 3

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#### 5 Preparation of Hexadecyllactosylamine

Lactose (26 g) was dissolved in distilled water (60 mLnL) at 60°C. Hexadecylamine (25 g) dissolved in methanol was added to the wavater solution. The reaction solution became cloudy at the beginning of the reactiction and then became clear again after stirring for 20 minutes. The reaction was c continued for another three hours. A white solid product that was generated during g the reaction accumulated on the top of reaction. The reaction was stopped by cocooling to room temperature. The white solid product was collected by filtration and til then washed with methanol and acetone. After drying under vacuum, the product w was taken for NMR analysis. (See Figure 3). The result from NMR studies verificied that this is the expected product.

#### Example 4

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#### Preparation of Gemini Bis-decyllactosylamide

To decyllactosylamine (5.6 g, 11.23 mmol) prepared in a Example 1 dissolved in dry dimethylformamide is added a small amount of dimetethylsulfoxide and triethylamine (0.5 mL) at O°C. Terephthaloyl chloride (1.14g, 5.6 6 mmol) in dry dimethylformamide was added drop-wise to the solution as the solutioron was stirred vigorously. The reaction temperature was allowed to slowly wararm to room temperature. After stirring for 17 hours, the reaction was gently heatered at 60°C for a few hours until the thin layer chromatogram showed that all starting g material had disappeared. The reaction was stopped by cooling to room tempererature. The reaction solution was poured into water and then extracted with mmixed solvent systems (chloroform and methanol) twice. After evaporating organicic solvent, the solid crude product was dried under vacuum. Thin layer chromatotography and NMR (Figure 4) all indicated this material is the expected product.

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#### Example 5

#### Preparation of Gemini Bis-dodecyllactosylamide

N-dodecyllactosylamine (7.96g, 15.1mmol) was dissolved in dry dimethylformamide (DMF) in the presence of heat. Terephthaloyl chthloride (1.5g, 7.39 mmol) dissolved in dimethylformamide and the excess amount of (1.8g) sodium carbonate were added to the solution at 0°C in an ice/waterer bath. The stirred reaction was gradually warmed to room temperature and theren heated to 60°C for 20 hours. After thin layer chromatogram showed that most of the starting material had disappeared, the reaction was cooled to room temperature. The solid inorganic salt was filtered out. The organic layer was flushed wiwith ether. A light yellow product was collected by filtration. The compound was washed twice with acetone, and then dried under vacuum. NMR data (<sup>1</sup>H-NMR arand <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra are shown in Figure 5) agreed with the expected structure e of the final compound. The yield of the final product was 4.6 g.

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#### Example 6

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#### Preparation of Xylyl-Bis-dodecyllactosylamide gemini surfactant it

N-dodecyllactosylamine (8.0 g, 16.0 mmol) was dissolved in dry dimethylformamide in the presence of heat. Dibromo-p-xylene (1.90 0 g, 7.2 mmol) was dissolved in dimethylformamide and the excess amount of sodidium carbonate were added to the solution at room temperature. The reaction was g gently heated to 64°C and stirred for 15 hours. Thin layer chromatography showwed that there was a new UV active sugar-containing product generated: The preaction was stopped by cooling to room temperature. Sodium carbonate salt wwwas separated by filtration. A large amount of acetone was poured onto the organicic layer and a white precipitate formed and was collected by filtration. This solid d material was washed with cold ethanol twice. The final solid material was dried urunder vacuum. The yield of the reaction was about 40% and the NMR result agrgreed with the expected structure of the final product.

#### Example 7

#### Preparation of 1,2,4,5-Benzenetetracarboxylic acid-derived bis-

#### dodecyllactosylamide gemini surfactant

N-dodecyllactosylamine (10.0 g, 20.0 mmol) was dissololved in dry dimethylformamide with heat added if necessary. 1,2,4,5-benzenetetetracarboxylic anhydride (2.18 g, 10 mmol) and a small amount of sodium carbonatete were added to the solution at room temperature. The reaction was stirred at 60°0°C overnight. The reaction was then stopped by cooling to room temperature. Thin layer chromatography indicated a new product was generated. The reaction was then diluted with acetone. Any insoluble inorganic material was separateæd by filtration and the organic layer was collected. After evaporating the solvent urunder reduced pressure, the solid product was washed twice with methanol and thehen collected. The material was dried under vacuum. The yield of the reaction was 6 60%, and the NMR result agreed with the expected structure of the final product.

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#### Example 8

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#### **Surface Activity**

The surfactants of the invention were measured for critritical micelle concentration and surface tension reducing ability. The test methods utilized are described as follows:

#### Critical Micelle Concentration (cmc)

Aqueous solutions of the surfactants were prepared I at varying concentrations. The surface tension at 20°C was measured by the WiVilhelmy plate method and plotted vs. the logarithm of the concentration. The critical micelle concentration (cmc) was determined as the value at which the slope e of the line of the graph changed abruptly.

The surface tension reducing ability was determined from n the surface tension at the critical micelle concentration.

Surface tension measurements were made for each of these surfactants prepared from examples 1 and 2 using a Kruss K-12 tensiometer (plplate method).

The appropriate values were determined as follows:

$$\rho = \frac{d\gamma}{d \log C_{\tau}} / 2.303 RT$$

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where

 $\rho$  = surface excess concentration (mol/cm<sup>2</sup>)

 $d\gamma$  = change in surface or interfacial tension of the solwlvent

(dyn• cm<sup>-1</sup>)

 $R = 8.31 \times 10^7 \text{ erg mol}^{-1} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$ 

C = molar concentration of solution

#### T = absolute temperature (°K)

pC-20 at the solution/air interface is defined as the negative a logarithm of the surfactant concentration required to lower surface tension by 20 dydyne/cm.

The results obtained for the surfactants alone are reported in TaTable 1.

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#### Ross Miles Foam Height

The product was evaluated as a foaming agent using the Rossis Miles Foam Height Test as outlined in ASTM method D1173. The foam was evaluated and the results were recorded.

TABLE I

Surfactant	cmc (wt. %)	Surface Tension dyne/cm	Rosss Miles Foamm Height (n(mm)
Example 4	1.9x10 <sup>-4</sup>	32.0	1655-146
Example 5	6x10 <sup>-4</sup>	29.2	1555-145
C <sub>12.5</sub> .H Glycoside	4x10 <sup>-3</sup>		

As can be seen from the respective derived values, the surfacactants afford superior foaming characteristics and enhanced surface tension reduction properties.

When the surface properties for the amphoteric geminini surfactant compounds of the were compared to the corresponding conventionalal amphoteric

surfactants, the novel compounds of the invention showed two o unexpected surface active properties; unusually low critical micelle concentratioion (cmc) and  $pC_{20}$  values in aqueous media. These properties are a measure of the tendency of the surfactant to form micelles and adsorb at the interface, and consinsequently, to reduce surface tension respectively.

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This unusually high surface activity for these molecules is a reresult of their unique structure; the presence of two optimally spaced hydrophobioic chains and hydrophilic groups.

This molecular structure provides energetically favorable decrcreases in the free energy of adsorption and micellization through favorable distorbition of water structure, and, at the same time, providing a "close packed" arrangegement at the interface. This is reflected by their relatively low area per molecule that is unexpected from the molecular dimensions for the molecule. TiThe area per molecule for the compounds of the invention are comparable to eccorresponding conventional surfactants. The ability of the compounds of the inventition to distort water structure through inhibition of crystalline or liquid crystalline phanase formation in bulk phase and at the same time to pack closely on adsorption at it the interface is contrary to conventional wisdom. This again demonstrates the uruniqueness of the molecular design for these compounds which is very critical if to providing unexpected exceptional surface and performance properties.

Exceptional surface activity and unique structural featutures for the compounds of the invention provide two other important performance properties that can have immense practical application in industry, i.e., their hydrotropicity, which is the ability of organic substances to increase the solubibility of other

insoluble organic substances in water, and solubilization, the dissololving of water insoluble organic compounds into aqueous surfactant solutions abdove their cmc levels. The compounds of the invention, because of their very loww cmc values, are efficient solubilizers. This latter property will not only allow the fa formulation of homogeneous water insoluble materials, but also will enhance the susurface activity of other surfactants whose low water solubility restrict their use. These novel surfactants of the invention are far better than comparable a conventional surfactants in hydrotroping and solubilizing properties.

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Because of their unusually high surface activity, coupleled with their hydrotropicity and solubilization properties, compounds of this i invention will provide exceptionally high performance properties, at very low cononcentration, in practical applications such as detergency emulsification, a solubilization, dispersancy, hydrotropicity, foaming and wetting. In addition, due to their extremely low monomer concentration at use levels, because of the intervention than conventional surfactants can provide extremely low or no irritancy in p personal care applications.

#### What we claim is:

1) A gemini surfactant composition comprising the structural formula:

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R<sub>1</sub>-N-Y | | X | | R<sub>1</sub>-N-Y

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wherein R and  $R_1$  independently represent the same or diffifferent linear, branched, saturated or unsaturated hydrocarbyl moieties wiwith a carbon chain length of from about  $C_6$ - $C_{23}$  and wherein Y and  $Y_1$  inindependently represent the same or different alcohol-containing moieties having at least two and preferably more hydroxyl groups with the further stiptipulation that one but not both may be hydrogen and X independently represents  $R_2$  or -  $COR_2CO$ - wherein  $R_2$  represents a  $C_1$  to  $C_{20}$  straight or braranched chain alkyl, aryl, caraboxyaryl, alkylaryl, dicarboxyaryl or diaminoalkytyl.

- 2) The surfactant composition of claim 1 wherein R and R<sub>1</sub> ir independently represent a straight or branched alkyl group of from about 6 t to 12 carbon atoms.
  - 3) The surfactant composition of claim 2 wherein Y and Y<sub>1</sub> ir independently represent an alcohol-containing moiety selected from the group consisting essentially of monosaccharides, disaccharides, polysaccharides s and mixtures thereof.
  - 4) The surfactant composition of claim 3 wherein said monosacaccharides are selected from the group consisting essentially of glyceraldehydyde, erythrose,

threose, ribose, arabinose, xylose, fructose, lyxose, allose, altrtrose, glucose, mannose, gulose, idose, galactose, talose and mixtures thereof.

- The surfactant composition of Claim 3, wherein said dissacharidide is selected from the group consisting essentially of lactose, maltose, sucrosose, cellobiose, gentibiose and mixtures thereof.
- The surfactant composition of Claim 3, wherein said polysaccharicride is selected from the group consisting essentially of amylose, amylopectin, ti trehalose and mixtures thereof.
- 7) A surfactant composition of Claim 5, wherein X is a straight or broranched chain 10 C<sub>6</sub> to C<sub>15</sub> alkyl, aryl, alkylaryl and mixtures thereof.
  - 8) The gemini surfactant of claim 1 comprising the structural formulala:

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wherein R<sub>2</sub> represents a straight or branched chain alkyl, aryl or or alkyl aryl and R, R<sub>1</sub> and Y have been hereinbefore defined.

9) The gemini surfactant of claim 1 comprising the general formula: a:

wherein R, R<sub>1</sub>, and Y have been hereinbefore defined.

10) A gemini surfactant of claim 1 comprising the general formula:

C=O
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NH
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R<sub>2</sub>
|
10 NH

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wherein R<sub>2</sub> has been hereinbefore defined.

- 11) A surfactant composition of Claim 5, further comprising a surfacactant selected from the group consisting of an anionic, nonionic, cationic, anend amphoteric surfactant.
- The surfactant composition of Claim 11, wherein said nonionic ic surfactant is selected from the group consisting of a fatty acid glycerine estater, a sorbitan fatty acid ester, a sucrose fatty acid ester, a polyglycerine fatty y acid ester, a higher alcohol ethylene oxide adduct, a single long chain polyoxyeyethylene alkyl ether, a polyoxyethylene alkyl allyl ether, a polyoxyethylene lanoliolin alcohol, a polyoxyethylene fatty acid ester, a polyoxyethylene glycerine ∋ fatty acid, a

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polyoxyethylene propylene glycol fatty acid ester, a polyoxyethyhylene sorbitol fatty acid ester, a polyoxyethylene castor oil or hardened castor oibil derivative, a polyoxyethylene lanolin derivative, a polyoxyethylene fatty acacid amide, a polyoxyethylene alkyl amine, an alkyl pyrrolidone, glucamides, alkylpolyglucosides, a mono- or dialkanol amide, a polyoxyethynylene alcohol, mono- or diamide, an alkylamine oxide, and mixtures thereof.

- The blend of surfactants of Claim 11, wherein said anionic c surfactant is selected from the group consisting of a fatty acid soap, an ether cacarboxylic acid or it's salt thereof, an alkane sulfonate salt, an a-olefin sulfolfonate salt, a sulfonate salt of a higher fatty acid ester, a higher alcohol sulfafate ester salt, fatty alcohol ether sulfate salts, a higher alcohol phosphate esteter salt, a fatty alcohol ether phosphate ester salt, a condensate of higher fatatty acids and amino acids, and a collagen hydrolysate derivative.
- The blend of surfactants of Claim 11, wherein said cationic c surfactant is selected from the group consisting of an alkyltrimethylammonium s salt, a dialkyldimethylammonium salt, an alkyldimethylbenzylammonium salt, an alkylpyridinium salt, an alkylisoquinolinium salt, benzethonium chlhloride, and an acylamino acid type cationic surfactant.
- The blend of surfactants of Claim 11, wherein said amphoteric ic surfactant is selected from the group consisting of an amino acids, betainenes, sultaines, phosphobetaines, imidazoline-type amphoteric surfactantnts, soybean phospholipid, and yolk lecithin.
  - 16) A cleaning composition comprising an aqueous solution having a cleaningly effective amount of the composition of Claim 1 dissolved therein.

The cleaning composition of claim 16, wherein the solution is selelected from the group consisting of hair shampoos, baby shampoos, body shammpoos, bubble baths, bar soaps, bath gels, hair conditioning gels, skin creams and lotions, skin contacting cosmetics, make up removal creams and lotions, liquid detergents, dish detergents, liquid soaps, bleach activators, bleach stabilizers and the like.

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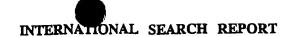
- A method for the preparation of a novel gemini surfactant cocontaining two hydrophilic and two hydrophobic chains connected by a carbon nyl containing bridge wherein said hydrophilic chains are comprised of the same or different sugar moieties, said method comprising:
  - a) aminating said sugar moiety with an amine commprising a  $C_{6}$   $C_{23}$  straight, branched, substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, aryl d or alkylaryl in the presence of DMSO<sub>4</sub> at elevated temperature and
  - b) condensing two of said aminated sugar moioieties in the presence of phthaloyl chloride.
- 19) The method of claim 18 wherein said sugar moiety is selected from the group consisting essentially of monosaccharides, didisaccharides, polysaccharides, and mixtures thereof.
- The method of claim 19 wherein said monosaccharide is selected from the group consisting essentially of glyceraldehyde, erythrose, thrnreose, ribose, arabinose, xylose, fructose, lyxose, allose, altrose, glucose, maninnose, gulose, idose, galactose, talose and mixtures thereof.

21) The method of claim 20 wherein said disaccharide is selected from the group consisting essentially of lactose, maltose, sucrosese, cellobiose, gentibiose and mixtures thereof.

The method of claim 21 wherein said polysaccharide is selecected from the group consisting essentially of amylose, amylopectin, trehalose and mixtures thereof.

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